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FOR SALL WASHDC/SACLL-TVL-

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TAGS: OREP (CONGRESSIONAL TRAVEL)

SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL VISIT TO MEDITERRANEAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN
COUNTRIES

REF: STATE 170280

1. WELCOME AUGUST 8-10 VISIT OF CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION
TO BE LED BY ASST SECDEF MAURY. ASSUME THIS DEL SAME
AS ONE IDENTIFIED AS CODEL BUMPERS IN DEFENSE MESSAGE
REQUESTING AIRCRAFT CLEARANCES FOR VISIT TO CAIRO SAME
DATE.

2. CODEL AND TRIP PLANNERS SHOULD BE AWARE THAT CURRENT
HOTEL SITUATION IN CAIRO IS EXTREMELY TIGHT WITH BEST
HOTELS AND MANY OTHER APPARENTLY FULLY BOOKED THROUGH
AUGUST. REQUEST EMBASSY BE INFORMED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
OF NUMBER AND TYPES OF ROOMS REQUIRED FOR CODEL SO THAT
WE MAY SEEK TO OBTAIN RESERVATIONS. IN ORDER TO FACILITATE
AIRPORT PROCESSING AND HOTEL PRE-REGISTRATION, WE NEED
NAMES OF ENTIRE PARTY ALONG WITH PASSPORT DATE, INCLUDING
NUMBER, DATE AND PLACE OF ISSUE, AND DATE AND PLACE
OF BIRTH.

3. REQUEST CODEL ETA AUGUST 8 AND ETD AUGUST 10
SO THAT WE MAY PLAN SCHEDULE FOR CODEL CONSIDERATION.
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TAKES BETTER PART OF A DAY, THUS RESTRICTING AMOUNT

OF TIME AVAILABLE FOR APPOINTMENTS. SUBJECT TO CODEL WISHES, EMBASSY WILL SEEK APPOINTMENTS WITH PRESIDENT SADAT, DEP PRIMIN/FONMIN FAHMY AND DEPUTY PRIMIN/MINWAR GAMASY AS TIME PERMITS. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT PRESIDENT SADAT WILL BE IN ALEXANDRIA AREA, WHERE HE USUALLY RESIDES DURING SUMMER MONTHS. BECAUSE OF DRIVING TIME INVOLVED, MEETING WITH SADAT IN ALEXANDRIA COULD ALSO TAKE BETTER PART OF DAY. YOU SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT, IN LINE WITH ESTABLISHED PRESIDENTIAL PRACTICE, WE WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN FIRM APPOINTMENT TIME UNTIL CODEL HAS ACUTUALLY ARRIVED IN EGYPT.

4. EMBASSY WILL ALSO APPRECIATE HAVING INDICATION OF CODEL DESIRES WITH RESPECT TO VISITS TO HISTORICAL POINTS OF INTEREST.

5. UNFORTUNATELY, LIMITED EMBASSY MOTOR POOL WILL PREVENT ASSIGNMENT OF VEHICLES TO CODEL. HOWEVER, VEHICLES WITH DRIVER CAN BE RENTED AT APPROXIMATELY \$30 PER DAY. PLEASE INDICATE HOW MANY WILL BE NECESSARY, AND DEPENDING ON SIZE OF CODEL, WHETHER SMALL BUS DESIRED.

6. ARE 19FT510 FUNDS AUTHORIZED?

7. CONTROL OFFICER IS COLONEL WILLIAM G. DOLAN, JR., AIR ATTACHE. DUTY PHONE: 28219, EXT. 235; HOME PHONE: 817372.
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